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SUBJECT: ISRAEL/JORDAN WATER RIGHTS

ISRAELI DEFENSE MINISTER SHIMON PERES TOLD THE PRESS ON AUGUST 11 THAT THERE WERE NO CURRENT PROBLEMS WITH JORDAN OVER WATER RIGHTS. PERES WAS RESPONDING TO A NEWSWEEK REPORT, CARRIED BY THE ISRAELI PRESS, ALLEGING THAT JORDAN WAS RENEWING THE "WATER WAR" WITH ISRAEL BY REVIVING A LONG-STANDING PLAN TO DIVERT MORE OF THE YARMUK RIVER INTO THE EAST HGOR IRRIGATION CANAL RUNNING PARALLEL TO THE NORTHERN PART OF THE JORDAN RIVER. THE DEFENSE MINISTER SAID THE STORY HAD BEEN OVERBLOWN BY THE NEWS MEDIA. ISRAEL, PERES STATED, WAS AWARE OF A LONG-TERM JORDANIAN WATER PROJECT RELATING TO THE YARMUK, BUT THERE WERE NO SIGNS OF NEW JORDANIAN MOVES WHICH COULD UPSET THE WATER BALANCE BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.
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